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Mr. Cox. The reply to Mr. Cox's

"Cleveland, Ohio, "June 21, 1909.

Newport News, Va.

Mr. Bramley was suddenly called o Sagiraw. Michigan, and from there to Tulsa, Oblahoma. He will protably be home in a week or ten days when we will submit your letter him. 4 "Very respectfully yours.

The signature of the letter was omitted in the copy furnished by the mayor nor could it be ascertained

The clerk then read the request of members of the council that a special ter meant meeting be called to take action upon knowingly. these letters. The councilmen signing this call were: George W. Wh't-

The President's Charges.
"Then I charge you," declared President Jones, "with appearing to the public at large as a crook and dishonoring the city council and implicationg every member of the coun-

ing and give me a copy. I have coun-sel to defend me," said Mr. Cox. Councilman Harr's moved that the

city attorney be directed to prepare the charges, which motion prevailed city attorney be directed to prepare the charges, which motion prevailed without dissension. President Jores, Mayor Jones and City Attorney Mas-sle retired from the chamber to pre-pare the charges.

They returned fifteen minutes later nd City Attorney Massie read the following charges:

tollowing charges:

"To E. C. COX, Esq.,
"Member of Common Council,
"City of Newport News, Va.,
"Sir:—You are hereby charged with
misfeasance and malfeasance in office
as a member of the common council
of this city in that you did on the
17th, day of June, 1909, write a letter to Mr. Bramley, of Cleveland, Ohio,
in which you reflected upon the honesty and integrity of the members of
this body and ask for employment by
the company of which Mr. Bramley
is president and with whom this city
gas contract relations at present.

ing to this contract? asked Mr. Collier.

The company of which Mr. Bramley is president and with whom this city has contract relations at present. Copy of your letter is herewith attached as further charge in detail."

"Newport News, Va., June 17th. 1909."

"Mr. Bramley, Cleveland, Ohio.

"Bear sir:—I guess you have heard of my election, I carried every ward in the city by a large majority, so you can see how I stand here with the people. There are a few, places I would like to go in your behalf as I am sure I can do you some good, and myself too, and you can send me a check for \$100 to defray expenses as soon as possible. I would also like to come over to Cleveland, and have a talk with you, as when I resign my seat in the council the first of the year, I would want torepresent you in your behalf as you know I understand everything, and can save you many a dellar, when the time comes. I will not only a man in my place that I can talk to, as you know the majority of the council is with me, and they will do business with more they will anyone eise as we all understand each other.

"Hoping you will give this your"

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"Mr. Cox and be produced the following telegram:

"Roancke, Va., June 16, 1909.

"Roancke, Va., June 16, 1

(Signed) "CHARLES C. BERKELEY." Councilman W. E. Jones moved the

loption of the charges.

Mr. Harris said that he thought that all that was necessary was to charge Mr. Cox with writing the let-

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ter. He said that in the first place Mr. Cox had misrepresented the re-sults of the election to the Trinidad people by saying that he had carried every ward in the city. Mr. Cox said that he had received that information from the newspapers the day following the election

Counc'lman Cheadle said that Mr. Cox might be guilty, but that the grand jury must find him guilty before he would believe it. So far as he is concerned, he said, he knew that he was innocent and that he didn't take anything in the letter to

"Enough to Vote On."

Mr. W. E. Jones declared that he didn't take the references in the letter to himself in any sense, but that if he had written the letter he would think that he was guilty. Mr. Whitley said practically the same thing and added that the letter wa enough evidence for him to vote on.

Upon the request of Councilman Frd. Mr. Massie read the charg's again and explained the terms "mis-feasance" and "malfeasance." The former, he said, meant a failure of an efficer so perform a duty; the lat-ter meant for an officer to do evil

The vote on the motion to adopt these letters. The councilmen signing this call were: George W. Whitley, W. C. Harris, W. E. Jones, L. J. Bolling, George E. Via, C. R. Fellows, W. E. Spruill, W. E. Hutchens and E. E. Christie.

Cox insists Upon Charges.

After President Jones asked what was the pleasure of the council in the matter there was an instant's pause. Then Mr. Cox arose and said that he would like to know what the charges had been brought against him. I want to know what the charges are and I want a copy of

charges are and I want a copy of them and to have the right to defend myself. You get your witnesses and I'll get mine," he declared.

President Jones said that he had made no charges against Mr. Cox.

'Your letter Mr. Cox, is enough in itself," he declared.

Mr. Ford and others objected to any limit and the state of fitteen minutes.

Mr. Ford and others objected to any limit. self," he declared.

Mr. Cox insisted that some charges drawn and the attorney was granted drawn and the attorney was granted the privilege.

In opening the defense Mr. Collie read the charges, explained the mean-ing of the charges of "misfensance" and "malfensance," and said his client pleaded not guilty. He read the law of Virginia relating to the dismissal of public officers from office and the city charter relating to the removing of councilmen from office.

After some preliminary proceedings Councilman Cox was sworn by City Clerk Hudgins and occupied a seat facing the council and the immense crowd gathered in the court room.

Examination of Cox.

Mr. Collier began his examination of Mr. Cox by handing him the copy of the letter to Mr. Bramley and re-

of the letter to Mr. Bramiey and re-questing him to explain \$1. Mr. Cox said that he had a conversation with Mr. Bramley in May and that the rav-ing man asked him to go to Roanoke in his behalf and promised to send him \$100 with which to defray his expenses on the trip. In respone to a question, he said that he was going to Roanoke to try to secure a con-tract for the paying company in that

"Have your any letters, telegrams etc., from anyone in Roanoke relating to this contract?" asked Mr. Col-

cther.

"Hoping you will give this your prompt attention, I am.

"Yours truly.

"E. C. COX.

"Councilman.

"I hereby certify that this is a correct copy of the original letter in my pressession.

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"Charleston West Va.

More Telegrams introduced.

"Yes. In Lyuchburg. I had letters from other people where I did go."

Here Mr. Cox produced two more telegram, which were admitted as evidence. They are as follows:

"Charleston West Va.

A BUSY DOCTOR

"Charleston, West Va.,
"November 6, 1908. "E. C. Cox.

"E. C. Cox.
"Newport News, Va.
"Date of letting not fixed. Leg-islation require six weeks.
"W. A. HOGUE,
"City Engineer."

"Washington, D. C. "December 12, 1908.

"E. C. Cox,
"Care City Engineer

"Newport News Va.
"I leave for Charleston tonight Money Comes In Bunches

"I was troubled by a servere itching and dry, scurfy skin on my ankles, feet. arine and scalp. Scratching made it worns. Thousands of small red pimples formed and these caused intense to A. A. Chisholm, of Treadwell, N. Y., now. His reason is well worth read-ples formed and these caused intense tiching. I was advised to go to the loopital for discusse of the skin. I did hospital for discusse of the skin. I did not saw such a bad case of excusar. But I got little or no relief. Then I tried many so-called remodies, but I became so bad that I almost gave up in despair. After suffering agoins for twelve months. I was relieved of the almost unbearable itching after two or three applications of Cuticura Continued its use, combined with Cuticura Soap and Pille, and I was completely cured. Hearty Search, Little Rock, Ark, Oct. 8 and 10, 1907."

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Address Union Station.
(S.gued) "J. C. ROCK."
It was explained that J. C. Bock is the president of a paving company in Philadelphiu.

Mr. Collier read the letter Mr. Cox President Bramley and ques loned him concerning it.

"To what place do you refer whet you say you desire to go somewhere for you," asked the attorney. "Lynchburg and Reanoke," was the

"Did it refer to any place that you could go in Newport News?"

ting a man in your place you could alk to. Now don't conceal anything. Tell exactly what you meant.

What He Meant. came up I wanted to put someone in my place who would be friendly to me as I weald be an ex-council man," was the reply.

"When you said that 'we all under s and each other, did you mean any thing wrong or improper?"

"No, sir, 1 did not." In reply to questions, Mr. Cox said that he had been on the cancil three years and that his relations with the members had always been cordial and friendly.

Mr. Cox went on to explain that he could not have meant to reflect on the council because he "didn't know anything wrong about any of

Did you ever approach a member of the council about anything impro-per or wrong?"

Didn't Think About Retainer. boot the attorney asked Mr. Cox about the retainer asked Mr. Cox about the retainer now held by the city from the Cleveland Trinidad Company. The councilman said that Company. The connerman said writing the letter. He said that he had not appreached any member of the conneil about returning that money. onneil about returning that money. Both Mr. Cox and Attorney Collier

then invited any member of the council who had been approached by Mr. Cox to yets upon anything improper or wrong to state the fact. There or wrong to state the fact. There was no response. Mr. Collier an-nounced that the defense rested and City Attorney Massie took up the cross-examination of the witness.

Why "Councilman?"
"Why did you write 'councilman'
after your name?" was the first
question Mr. Massie asked Mr. Cox. "I don't know," was the reply.
"Did you think that the letter

would have more influence with Mr. Bramley or the paving company if it was signed that way?

wrote 'I understand everything?'

"Did you mean to tell them that

Yes. In Reanose and Lynchburg."
"What explanation do you make of
the statement that you would put a Well, I wanted a man that I could

talk to in the council."
"You meant talk to about the at-

fairs of Mr. Bramley's company?"

"No, I din't mean that."
"What did you mean by saying the council would do business with you?"
I meant that everything being equal they would talk to me first."

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ten that from the papers. He did not have with him a copy of the papers centaining the election returns.

Mr. W. E. Jones wanted to know what Mr. Cox meant by 'we finderstand each other." "I don't understand

you," he said to Mr. Cex.

Mr. Pord, Mr. Via and Mr. W. E.

Jones piled questions about the letter. Mr. Ford wanted to know if he
had proposed to represent the paving
company while constable, and Mr. Cex.

What the Word "Time" Meant, In reply to a question from Mr. Harris. Mr. Cox said that the "time" reterred to in his letter meant that he would represent the company here if the time came when the city might want to let a contract.

"I've had a talk with them since I wrote that letter and have told them that I would nor represent them under any conditions," said Mr. Cox.

City Attorney Massie again took up the cross-examination of Mr. Cox.

"Did you first solicit these people or they selicit you and when" was his first ouestion.

"They spoke to me first," replied Mr. Cox, "It was in the latter part of May."

"Did you have a talk with them last What the Word "Time" Meant,

"No."
"What are these telegrams What are these telegrams?"

Mr. Cox explained that they referred to another contract. He said that he represented J. C. Rock's company in the fall of 1908 and that he went to Charleston for the company.

Mr. Coilier asked his elient why he had changed his mind about representing the Tripidad people.

Man Tried to De "Dirty Work,"
"A certain man came here from
Cleveland and tried to do some dirty
work" and he was 'cussed' out in front
of the court house," replied Mr Cox.
When asked who that man is. Mr.
Cox said that it would all come out
before the grand jury, "I have asked
to go before the grand jury," he declared.

Mr. Massie asked Mr. Cox if Rock's

Mr. Massie asked Mr. Cox if Rock's company had only paid his expenses when he went to Charleston and Mr. Cox said that was all.

Mr. Cox explained that he voted against Mr. Rock's company here.

"The first part of your letter then refers to work away from here and the latter part to work here after you are out of the council?" asked Mr. Massie.

Mr. Cox replied that that was true,
"Then you were writing while a
councilman for employemnt after you
off the council."

the city held a retainer from the Cleveland company, but again declar-ed that his letter had no reference to Mr. W. E. Jones asked Mr. Cox

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